

**GRANDE PRAIRIE REGIONAL COLLEGE
COURSE OUTLINE**

HI4990: (History 4990): Seminar Studies in Canadian History

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Credit: 6 (UT) (6)
Prerequisite: HI2600/2610 (GPC)

This course examines critical issues and events in Canadian History, with a special focus on the differing approaches taken and critical perspectives advanced by historians working in our nation's history. Students will read and discuss landmarks in Canadian history and historiography, as well as write and defend their own critical essay, a major research paper, in class. The research paper will be due TWO WEEKS from the date of presentation to the class. Late penalties will be invoked!

Requirements: Discussion critiques (3) 30%
Mid-Course Examination 20%
Research Paper and Seminar 50%

Texts:

Berger, Carl. Contemporary Approaches to Canadian History. Toronto: Copp Clark Pitman, 1987.

Berger, Carl. The Writing of Canadian History. (Second Edition), Toronto: U. of T. Press, 1986.

Grant, George. Lament for a Nation, Oxford, 1989

Palmer, Bryan. Working Class Experience. (2nd Edition) Toronto: McClelland and Stewart, 1992.

Trigger, Bruce. Natives and Newcomers. Montreal: McGill-Queen's, 1985.

Crowley, Terry. Clio's Craft. Copp Clarke Pitman, 1988.

Term One

Week One: Introduction: Canada -- The Graven Images

Week Two: The Historians' Indian (part I)

READ: B. Trigger, Natives and Newcomers, *passim*.

A.J. Ray, Indians in the Fur Trade.

Week Three: New France

READ: L. Dechene, Habitants and Merchants in Seventeenth Century Montreal,
passim Crowley, Clio in Canada

Week Four: Revolution Rejected

READ: Rawlyk and Stewart, A People Highly Favoured of God.

Week Five: The Eagle and The Lion

READ: J. Errington, The Eagle and the Lion, passim.
D. Mills, The Idea of Loyalty

Week Six: The Merchant Barons

READ: L. McCann, "The Mercantile Industrial Tradition", in Acadiensis 10:2
(Spring 1981)
T.W. Acheson, "The Great Merchant", Acadiensis 8:2 (Spring, 1979).
G. Tulchinsky, The River Barons.

Week Seven: Agriculture in Crisis?

READ: R. Marvin McNis, "A Reconsideration", Canadian Papers in Rural History 3
(1982)
F. Ouellet, Lower Canada, 1791-1840: Social Change and Nationalism, 1980.

Week Eight: The Image of Confederation

READ: Careless, Frontier and Metropolis
Acheson, "The National Policy and Industrialization of the Maritimes", Acadiensis 1:2
(1972)

Week Nine: Critical Years

READ: D. Gagan, Hopeful Travellers,
Akenson, The Irish in Ontario
J.I. Little, "The Social and Economic Development...in Two Quebec Townships" in
CPRH 1978.
G. Bouchard, "Family Structures and Geographic Mobility" Journal of Family History
2 (1977)

Week Ten: Colony to Nation

READ: Berger, Sense of Power.

Week Eleven: The Birth of Western Canada

READ: G.F.G. Stanley, The Birth of Western Canada
T. Flanagan, Riel and the Rebellion: 1885 Reconsidered

Week Twelve: The Historians' Indian (II)

READ: Milloy, Plains Cree,
Sarah Carter, Lost Harvests
George Sioui, An Amerindian Autohistory.

Week Thirteen: Labour: A Culture in Conflict

READ: B. Palmer, Working Class Experience, passim,
Desmond Morton, Working People

Week Fourteen: Strangers and Our Gates

READ: H. Palmer, "Canadian Immigration and Ethnic History, ICS
17 (Spring 1982).
R. Harney, "The Commerce of Migration", Canadian Ethnic Studies 9:1 (1977) OR his
"Montreal's King of Labour", Labour/Le Travailleur 4 (1979)
J. Petryshyn, Peasants in the Promised Land.

Christmas Examination

Term Two

Week One: Social Passions and Evangelical Creeds

READ: Murphy and Stortz, Creed and Culture,
Allen, Social Passion,
Marshall, Secularizing the Faith.

Week Two: The Crucible of War

READ: D. Morton, A Peculiar Kind of Politics
J. Granatstein and J.M. Hitsman, Broken Promises,
--- The Valour and The Horror
J. Thompson, "The Beginning of Our Regeneration" CHAP

Week Three: The Decline of Politics

READ: J. English, Decline of Politics,
R. Whitaker, The Government Party.

Week Four: The Winter Years

READ: Struthers, No Fault of Their Own.

Week Five: They're Still Women After All

READ: V. Strong-Boag, The New Day Recalled,
S. Trofimenkoff, The Dream of Nation, 1982.
C. Bacchi, Liberation Deferred.

Week Six: Whose Colony Now?

READ: Behiels, Prelude to Quebec's Quiet Revolution,

D. Moniere, Ideologies in Quebec, Toronto: U. of T., 1981.

G. Fraser, PQ

Week Seven: Student Presentations

Week Eight: Student Presentations

Week Nine: Student Presentations

Week Ten: Student Presentations

Week Eleven: Student Presentations

Week Twelve: Student Presentations

Week Thirteen: Student Presentations

Week Fourteen: Retrospect and Assessment